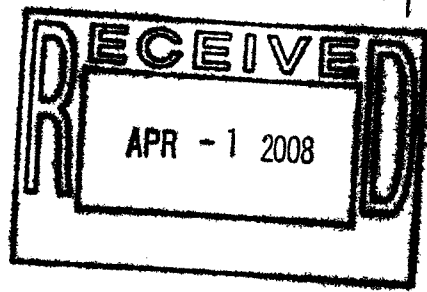


Acton Town Manager
Acton Town Hall
472 Main Street
Acton, MA 01720



Dear Mr. Ledoux,

The Gallant Family have been residents of Acton for generations and have an abiding love and interest in our town. At one point we lived on Isaac Davis Way, across from the Isaac Davis homestead, which was part of The Davis Farm. The Davis millstone from the farm was on our property. One half of the millstone was used as a back doorstep and the other half as a doorstep to the potting shed. The millstone was engraved by a former owner, Mr. Scarlett, who had a very well known telescope on the property. Two of his good friends, Rubin Law Reed and Percival Lowell were a great help to him, properly setting up and aiding him in the placement of the telescope. Mr. Scarlett had the millstone engraved in memory of his two dear friends. Mr. Scarlett moved to California, taking his famed telescope with him. Fortunately, he left the millstone on the property.

When my husband Richard and I decided to retire to our home on Cape Cod, we sold our beloved property. However, we moved the millstone to another historic property, our business property at 199 Great Rd in Acton and the residence of Gallant Insurance Agency to this day. Our family now would very much like to donate the stone to The Town of Acton. If it is possible we would wish it to be placed on the Acton Center Town Common. We feel, rather than have it on private property, it is a piece of historic property that should be enjoyed by all and preserved to be enjoyed by other generations.

There is more history to this granite stone available in The Acton Historical Society Archives, which I intend to access and research. My family and I respectfully await your decision on this matter. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Edith Gallant